

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1119

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Heather Simonis, 2008
Valedictorian of Wilson Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Heather Simonis is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Wilson Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Simonis has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Heather Simonis has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in several extra curricular activities, such as Beta Club, Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Ambassador program; and

WHEREAS, a natural leader, Ms. Simonis rendered astute service on the Student Council and was elected as Senior Class Treasurer by her classmates; and

WHEREAS, her academic performance has been duly recognized with her induction into the National Honors Society, participation in a five-week program at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville during the summer of 2007, where she earned six hours of college credit, and her designation as a Tennessee Scholar; and

WHEREAS, Heather is also an accomplished athlete and was a member of her school's 2006 AAA state championship basketball team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Simonis is a benevolent individual, who has donated her time and incredible talents to a number of worthy causes, including Franklin Road clean-up, teaching

preschoolers at her church, serving as a recreation director at a church sports camp, Memorial Garden clean-up, and tutoring those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Heather's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Simonis's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Chris and Sheryl Simonis, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Heather Simonis's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Wilson Central High School Valedictorian, Heather Simonis, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.